

**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR RECOGNIZING OPTICAL DISCS, OPTICAL DISC DRIVE, AND METHOD AND APPARTUS FOR DISTINGUISHING DATA STORAGE LAYER

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Simultaneously with the filing of the above-identified application with which this Preliminary Amendment is being filed, and prior to the calculation of the filing fee, Applicant hereby amends the application as follows, without prejudice: